

Isaac Higgins – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Isaac Higgins was the son of Benjamin Higgins and the grandson of Richard Higgins who headed one of the seven families who settled Nauset in 1644. Isaac was born in Eastham in 1672. Isaac is an example of a third generation Eastham resident who received land grants.

1700

Granted to Isaac Higgins and his heirs about one acre for his barn on the easterly side of the way where he lived at Billingsgate and on the westerly side of the slough. Bounds were indicated by stones marked I H and marked trees. PDF A177, M78, P93, S41.

1711

Granted to Isaac Higgins, George Brown, Joseph Collins Jr., Joseph Collins Sr., Edward Knowles and Jabez Snow in joint and equal partnership the third lot out of twenty-four lots at Great Island at Billingsgate. The lot dimensions given were not complete but probably the lot was about seven acres like most of the other lots at Great Island. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF T86.

Granted to Isaac Higgins and his heirs about four acres of land at Indian Brook. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T123.

There were three grants in this record to Isaac Higgins and his heirs. The first grant was about four acres next to his other land and next to the bridge by the cartway and next to land of Daniel Cole Sr., deceased. Bounds were indicated by stakes, stones and marked trees. The second grant was land near the cartway to his barn. The dimensions indicate the grant was about four acres. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. The third grant was about one acre near his dwelling house and near the bridge and the marsh. Bounds were indicated by stones and marked trees. PDF T123.

Granted to Isaac Higgins and his heirs about six acres for his wood lot on the northerly side of Church's Meadow and on the westerly side of the way to Blackfish Creek. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T177.

1715

Granted to Isaac Higgins and his heirs about twenty acres on the southerly side of Yates Creek commonly called Pound Point. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T241.

Granted to Isaac Higgins and his heirs about two acres south of his barn and about one acre near his other land. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T241.

Granted to Isaac Higgins and his heirs a wood lot near Indian Brook and on the southerly side of Isaac Doane's land. The dimensions indicate that the wood lot was about sixteen acres. Bounds were indicated by stones and marked trees.

The Eastham land owned by Isaac Higgins or granted in his name to his heirs described in these records amounts to about sixty acres. By 1745 thirty-three more Higgins received Eastham land grants.